

may provide any such required equity in the form of a letter of credit.

§ 242.24 Initial operating costs.

In the case of a new hospital or a hospital expansion, HUD shall establish, on a case-by-case basis, the amount of initial operating capital, if any, that must be deposited in cash or a letter of credit (or combination) to be available to the new hospital upon commencement of operations. Generally, the initial operating capital other than AMPO shall not be borrowed funds unless HUD determines that there are offsetting financial strengths to compensate for the risk associated with borrowing.

Subpart C—Mortgage Requirements

§ 242.25 Mortgage form and disbursement of mortgage proceeds.

(a) *Mortgage form.* The mortgage shall be:

(1) Executed on a form approved by HUD for use in the jurisdiction in which the property covered by the mortgage is situated; the form shall not be changed without the prior written approval of HUD.

(2) Executed by an eligible mortgagor.

(b) *Disbursement of mortgage proceeds.* The mortgagee shall be obligated, as a part of the mortgage transaction, to disburse the principal amount of the mortgage to (or for the account of) the mortgagor or to his or her creditors for his or her account and with his or her consent.

§ 242.26 Agreed interest rate.

(a) The mortgage shall bear interest at the rate or rates agreed upon by the mortgagee and the mortgagor.

(b) The amount of any increase approved by HUD in the mortgage amount between initial and final endorsement in excess of the amount that HUD had committed to insure at initial endorsement shall bear interest at the rate agreed upon by the mortgagee and the mortgagor.

§ 242.27 Maturity.

The mortgage shall have a maturity not to exceed 25 years from the date amortization begins.

§ 242.28 Allowable costs for consultants.

Consulting fees for work essential to the development of the project may be included in the insured mortgage. Allowable consulting fees include those for analysis of market demand, expected revenues, and costs; site analysis; architectural and engineering design; and such other fees as HUD may determine to be essential to project development. Fees for work performed more than 2 years prior to application are not allowable. Fees for work performed by any party with an identity of interest with the proposed mortgagor or mortgagee are not allowable.

§ 242.29 Payment requirements.

The mortgage shall provide for payments on the first day of each month in accordance with an amortization plan agreed upon by the mortgagor, the mortgagee, and HUD.

§ 242.30 Application of payments.

All payments to be made by the mortgagor to the mortgagee shall be added together and the aggregate amount thereof shall be paid by the mortgagor each month in a single payment. The mortgagee shall apply each payment received to the following items in the following order:

(a) Premium charges under the contract of mortgage insurance;

(b) Ground rents, taxes, special assessments, and fire and other hazard insurance premiums;

(c) Interest on the mortgage; and

(d) Amortization of the principal of the mortgage.

§ 242.31 Accumulation of accruals.

(a) The mortgage shall provide for payments by the mortgagor to the mortgagee on each interest payment date of an amount sufficient to accumulate, in the hands of the mortgagee one payment period prior to its due date, the next annual MIP payable by the mortgagee to HUD. Such payments